

THE HOLY TRINITY ~ MAY 26, 2024

Father  
Son  
Holy Spirit



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**"Being Transformed By God's Grace To Love And Serve."**

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*If it is uncomfortable for you to stand where indicated, please feel free to remain seated. The congregation responds where it is bold print.*



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*please stand in body or spirit*

Holy Trinity Call to Worship

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, author of creation, Savior of the world, the breath of life. **Amen.**

We gather this day to worship the Triune God.

**We gather to worship the One who spoke in the beginning and created something out of nothing.**

We gather this day to worship the Triune God.

**We gather to worship the One who took on the clothing of humanity so the oppressed would be set free and all the world would know the love of the Creator.**

We gather this day to worship the Triune God.

**We gather to worship the One whose Spirit rests continually upon us, calling us from sorrow-filled endings to bright new beginnings.**

We worship you, O God, eternal Three-in-One: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor.

We worship you, O God, majestic One-in-Three: one Lord, one God.

**We worship you, O triune God, in your eternal glory. Alleluia! Amen!**

Opening Hymn

“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”

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Greeting

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.....**Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*please be seated*

## First Reading

Isaiah 6:1 - 8

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." <sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" <sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 29

<sup>1</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup>**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**

<sup>3</sup>The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup>**The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**

<sup>5</sup>The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

<sup>6</sup>**the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

<sup>7</sup>The voice of the LORD bursts forth in lightning flashes.

<sup>8</sup>**The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

<sup>9</sup>The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, “Glory!”

<sup>10</sup>**The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.**

<sup>11</sup>O LORD, give strength to your people; give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace

Second Reading

Romans 8:12 - 17

<sup>12</sup>Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—<sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Children’s Sermon

Paul Fuelling

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Gospel Acclamation

“Alleluia”

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Gospel

John 3:1 - 17

The Holy Gospel according to John the 3rd chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do

apart from the presence of God.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. <sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

The Gospel of the Lord.      **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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Sermon

Pastor Sandy Schlesselman

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Hymn of the Day

“All Glory Be to God on High”

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Nicene Creed

***We believe in one God,***

**the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,***

**the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,**

**Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

***We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,***

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

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Offering

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Offertory

“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful”

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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.....Pour out upon these gifts the blessing of your Spirit, O Lord, so that through them your Church may be filled with such love that the truth of your saving mystery may shine forth for the whole world. Through Christ our Lord, we pray. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Hear, O Lord, the prayer you taught us to pray.....**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

*please be seated*

HOLY COMMUNION

By Stations

All who believe that Jesus is present in the Bread and the Wine  
and has the power to forgive are welcome to commune.

Red wine or white grape juice is available.

Communion Hymns

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

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"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

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Post-Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you  
in his grace. **Amen**

## Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.....O God, creator of all good things, may these gifts which we have received strengthen us that we may always be aflame with the same Spirit, whom you wondrously poured out on your apostles. Through Christ our Lord, we pray. **Amen.**

## Blessing

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

Sending Hymn

“Come, Join the Dance of Trinity”

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## Dismissal

Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve!

**Thanks be to God!**



# "GOD IS WITH US ALWAYS"



**Welcome:** Today is Holy Trinity Sunday, so, fittingly, I welcome you to worship in the name of God the Creator, Jesus the Savior, and the Holy Spirit, who sustains our faith and empowers us for discipleship. Amen.

*We invite everyone to enjoy coffee and fellowship before worship in the Gathering Space. Please join us!*

**In Our Prayers:** "Unspoken prayer concerns", Jon Beckman, Rodger Luetjen, Eugene Oelrichs, Scott Cash, Judie VonHolten, Greg Ives, Dewey Jobe, Judy Smith, Paul Kelly, Renee Weller, Gordon Ives, and Kyle Luetjen.



Dustin Woods, Alexis Harrington, Liz Smart, Josephine Heimsoth, Don Gibbs, Melvin Oelrichs (grandpa of Nicholas Dieckman), Art Heimsoth, Dorothy Brown (mother of Bob Brown), Cliff Eckhoff, Averi Kroenke, Carmilla Swaim and husband (friends of Debbie Eckhoff), Ken Jenson (friend of Connie Gerken), Jamie Simon, Dena Sikoutris, Joseph Fuelling (nephew of Paul Fuelling), Annie Bright, Kiley Simon (friend of Jenna Nash), Karen Haase (sister-in-law of Gene Beckman), Jackie Ross (sister of Randy Healan), Ronnie Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marvin Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marlin Lackas (brother-in-law of Paul Fuelling), Bill Hampton, and Adam Gumbel (son of Jim & Kim Gumbel).



*Our Shut-ins*

**Nursing Home:** Vern Dean Bohling: *Ambrose*. Marie Viebrock & Florence VonHolten: *GSCC*. Kathy Hallauer: *Loving Arms*.

**Military:** Please keep all those who have served our country past and present in your prayers, especially: ENS David M. Gardner (son of Pam Balke), Private Bradyn Hood (grandson of Connie Gerken), MSgt. Jason Ostberg (son-in law of Suzanne Lutjen) Lt. Col. Ron Poe, SSG Nick Smith and Cpt. Joseph Strathman.





**Prayers:** If you would like your name added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 668-3537.

**One Stitch at a Time:** The Sewing Group will not meet on Monday, **May 27th**. Have a safe Memorial Day!



**Newsletter:** The Sunbeam committee will meet on Wednesday, **May 29th** at 3:00pm.

**Health Care:** The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **May 30th** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.



**WELCA:** Osage Conference WELCA Cluster Meeting will be held on Saturday, **June 1st** at St. Paul's Lutheran beginning with registration at 9:00. Pastor Sandy will lead the morning Bible study with Pastor Katherine Hayes-Wallenburg as the afternoon key-note speaker (topic -Spiritual Direction). There will be singing, a salad luncheon, and a few surprises along the way. What a better way to spend a few hours than with your Lutheran sisters! **Sign-up in the link if you plan to attend.**

**Confirmation:** On Sunday, **June 2nd** we will share in the joy of the Rite of Confirmation for three of our members. They are Macey Heimsoth, Kaylan Poe and Khloe Viebrock.



**Synod Assembly:** Synod Assembly is **June 6th, 7th and 8th**. Please remember our delegates Greg Bredehoeft and Rhonda Schlesselman in your prayers during those days.

**Meeting:** The Council will meet on Tuesday, **June 11th** at 7:00pm.





**Ice Cream Social:** St. Paul's Ice Cream Social will be held Sunday June 23, 2024. Food serving will begin at 6pm and entertainment will start at 7pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the link if you would like to bring a cake. Otherwise, every household is asked to donate 2 pies. Please bring them to the church by 5pm on June 23.


The committee is looking for entertainment acts to perform during the ice cream social. If you have a special skit, joke, song, or instrumental piece you would like to share, please contact the church or one of the ice cream social committee members: Emily Kullman, Victoria Gerken, and Nicole Rice.

This year our free will offering will be donated to The Happy Feet Project. Thanks to a generous grant, funds raised through the Cole Camp Area Church Alliance will be matched 50 cents on every dollar, up to \$3000, by the Benton County Community Foundation.

~ \* ~ **IN OUR COMMUNITY** ~ \* ~

**Ice Cream Social:** Trinity Pymont Lutheran Church will have an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, **June 9th**. Serving will begin at 5:00pm with entertainment beginning at 6:00pm. They will serve hot dogs, chili dogs, sandwiches, sides, pie, cake and ice cream. Potter's Wheel will be the entertainment. This is a free will donation.





On this Memorial Day, remember those who gave their lives for our country. But also pray for those who have served our country and continue serving to keep America free, especially those who are in harm's way.



~ \* ~ **Coming Events** ~ \* ~

- June 1 .....WELCA Cluster Meeting at St. Paul's
- June 2 .....Confirmation Sunday
- June 6-8 ..... Synod Assembly
- June 23.....Ice Cream Social

# Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

**Ministers** ..... The Whole Congregation  
**Presiding Minister** ..... Pastor Sandy Schlesselman  
**Organist** ..... Lois Viebrock  
**Pianist** ..... Jeannette VonHolten  
**AV Technicians** ..... Russ Oelrichs & Todd Rusk  
**Altar Guild** ..... Shirley Cash & Norma Schlesselman  
**Ushers** ..... Melinda Strathman, Assistant Head Usher  
..... Nicholas Dieckman, Mark Oelrichs, Randy Schlesselman & Steve Triplett



## The Holy Trinity ~ May 26, 2024

**Assisting Minister** ..... Janice Gerken  
**Communion Assistants** ..... Susan & Trisha Goosen  
**Reader** ..... Glenalee Dillon  
**Children's Sermon** ..... Paul Fuelling  
**Acolytes** ..... Tristan Fox & Fred Goosen  
**Flowers** ..... Wanda Viebrock



## Second Sunday after Pentecost ~ June 2, 2024

**Assisting Minister** .....  
**Communion Assistants** ..... At the Altar  
**Reader** .....  
**Children's Sermon** ..... Pastor Stephen Zeller  
**Acolytes** ..... Lexi Goyette & Hudson Kullman  
**Flowers** ..... Norene Ives